



# UNIVERSITY OF DAR ES SALAAM

## COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

### CALL FOR A POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCHER (Uganda, Burundi and Rwanda) 2025-2026

The Research Chair on Forced Displacement of the University of Dar es Salaam (UDSM-RCFD), under a research project titled: "Strengthening knowledge, evidence use and leadership in the global South on forced displacement: with a focus on East Africa" funded by the International Development Research centre (IDRC) of Canada, invites applications for a post-doctoral research position (one position).

We are seeking a candidates whose PhD or master's research aligns with one or more of the following thematic areas of interest to the Chair:

- i Refugees, IDPS and asylum seekers from conflicts
- ii Internally Displaced Persons from climate-related disaster
- iii Development/project induced displacement
- iv Marginalized/indigenous population facing exclusion, relocation or forced displacement.
- v Trafficking induced displacement

The UDSM-RCFD is a multidisciplinary Chair with members from Geography, Law, Sociology, Political Science, History, Archeology, Economics, Development Studies, Business School, and Food Sciences and from Kenya, Uganda, Burundi, Tanzania and Rwanda. Members of the Chair have been working on livelihood, socio-economic, legal, gender, inclusive policy and agency issues of the displaced.

#### Eligibility

- i Citizens or refugees from and in Uganda, Burundi, and Rwanda
- ii Completed their PhDs in the past three years

#### Duration

One-year non-renewable

#### Expectations from the candidate

The candidate is required to relocate to the University of Dar es Salaam where they will be provided with an office space, a desktop computer, access to the library, and a stipend and work under supervision of the Chair and provide research and administration support to the Chair.

Selected candidates will have an opportunity to interact with a pool of more than 35 researchers and take part in research fieldwork, seminars, outreach and policy dialogues and writing workshops.

#### Application process:

Interested applicants should submit:

- i Application letters application stating their qualifications and their PhD works,
- ii Curriculum vitae,
- iii a research proposal for the Postdoctoral research they want to pursue;
- iv a copy of sample writing could be a Chapter from their dissertation or thesis.
- v Name and contacts information of three referees one of which must be the PhD supervisor (to write a recommendation to be sent to us directly).

Shortlisted candidates will be subjected to an online interview as part of the selection process. The selected applicant is expected to commence their role on March 1st 2025. Female candidates, refugees or those who have experienced displacement who meet the criteria above are encouraged to apply.

#### Inquiries

Any inquiries and applications should be sent to the Chair, Research Chair on Forced Displacement via email at [opportuna.kweka@gmail.com](mailto:opportuna.kweka@gmail.com) copy to [kweka@udsm.ac.tz](mailto:kweka@udsm.ac.tz) and [smwasha009@gmail.com](mailto:smwasha009@gmail.com)

#### Application Deadline:

The deadline for receiving application is February 20<sup>th</sup> 2025 and the candidates are expected to start latest 1st of April 2025.